

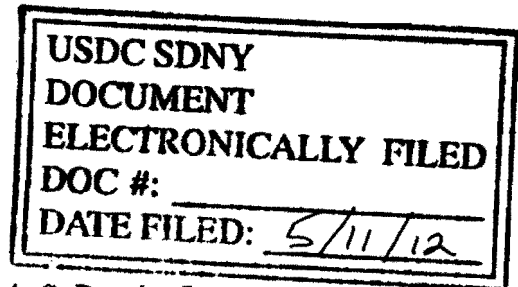
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May 10, 2012

The Honorable Loretta Preska  
Chief Judge  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007



Re: Bessemer Trust Company, N.A. v. Francis S. Branin, Jr.:  
02 CIV. 10276 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

Pursuant to the Court's Order of May 7, 2012, I have conferred with counsel for defendant Francis S. Branin, Jr. on how to proceed with this litigation.

Bessemer Trust and Branin are in agreement that this case should be resolved by summary judgment practice. Bessemer and Branin each plan to move for summary judgment in their favor.

Our proposal is that both sides simultaneously file briefs in support of summary judgment by July 13, 2012 and reply briefs by August 17, 2012. Due to the amount of material we are dealing with, we respectfully request that the main briefs be up to 35 pages in length and replies 20 pages. We also request oral argument at a date to be set by the Court.

*Counsel all reminded that briefs are to be double spaced with 12-point type, both*

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**SO ORDERED**

Respectfully yours,

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